

Below-the-line (BTL) Crew Capacity Program – Participant Guidelines

This program helps address priority skills gaps in the Western Australian screen industry by providing paid, on-the-job experience for BTL screen practitioners on professional productions in Western Australia.

Read these guidelines together with the [Screenwest Terms of Trade](#) and [Glossary of Terms](#). The Terms of Trade outline our commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion, as well as the terms and conditions on which we do business.

Eligibility

The Applicant must:

1. Meet the eligibility requirements in the Terms of Trade.
2. Be a Western Australian Resident or a Western Australian Resident Company as defined in the Terms of Trade.
3. Be 18 years or older.
4. Demonstrate a commitment to a professional career in the department they are applying for, through one or more of the following:
 - a. Have graduated from a relevant tertiary course (e.g. film, media, animation).
 - b. Hold a production credit on at least 30 minutes of screen content made outside of secondary or tertiary education.
 - c. Have significant experience in a related industry that qualifies the applicant for a specific role (e.g. accountant, make-up artist, electrician, rigger).
5. Demonstrate their ability to successfully take part in the opportunity, with the relevant support.
6. Not be a student other than a student exemption as defined in the Glossary of Terms.
7. Not have completed two paid attachments/mentorships in that department on two separate productions.

What opportunities are available?

Productions receiving more than \$100,000 in Screenwest production funding must include attachment or mentorship opportunities in their budget.

Productions can offer BTL attachment and/or mentorship opportunities. We work with the production company to identify suitable opportunities.

The role offered should align with the production's needs and address priority BTL skills gaps in the Western Australian screen industry.

Successful applicants are employed by the Production Company and must be paid the relevant minimum Award Rate, or higher, for a 50-hour week.

Refer to the [BTL Crew Capacity Program - Production Company Guidelines](#) for more information.

Application Process

Read the [SmartyGrants](#) application form which lists the materials you will need to submit as part of your application.

We recommend you discuss your application with the [program contacts](#) before applying and let them know if you require any accessibility assistance to complete your application.

How to apply

- Submit the online application form in SmartyGrants.
- Upload all required documents and supporting materials.

After you apply

- Applications are reviewed to ensure they meet the eligibility requirements above and in the Terms of Trade.
- Eligible applications are sent to the production company for review.
- The production company will make the final decisions.
- We will notify applicants of the outcome of their application by email or phone within approximately 4 weeks after applications close.
- Successful applicants will be employed directly by the production company.

Ready to start your application?

[Apply now](#)

Contact the team

Contact the team listed [here](#), or by emailing funding@screenwest.com.au.

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